subjects like, core banking solutions, e-Banking/Internet Banking, Know Your Customer (KYC) and Anti Money Laundering (AML), Risk Management, system-related frauds, etc. now form an integral part of the training curricula.

Pending cases of compassionate appointment in Banks

3987. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:
SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are a large number of cases pending before the Nationalised Banks for appointment on compassionate basis as on date;

(b) if so, the details thereof Bank-wise and place-wise; and

(c) by when a final decision in regard to these cases is likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) No, Sir. All Nationalised Banks have adopted a scheme of payment of ex-gratia (lump-sum amount) in lieu of appointment on compassionate grounds. Thus, as on date, the scheme of appointment on compassionate grounds is not in operation in any Nationalised Bank.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Loans to poor farmers

†3988. SHRI LAXMINARAYAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated a scheme to give loans to the poor farmers through Banks;

(b) whether farmers are unable to repay the loan amount as agriculture work is non-profitable; and

(c) if so, whether there is any scheme under consideration to provide financial assistance to farmers in place of loan?

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.